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Mr. William C. Olson, Bureau Chief
New Mexico Environment Department
Ground Water Quality Bureau
P. O. Box 26110
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502

Dear Mr. Olson:

Re: Biannual Monitoring Report, Groundhog Mine Site
Interim Remedial Action, Hanover/Whitewater Creeks IU

Enclosed is Chino Mines Company's (Chino) biannual Monitoring Report for the Groundhog Mine Site representing the period from November 2005 through March 2006. This monitoring report is submitted pursuant to Chino's corrective action proposal dated October 21, 2004 for the release of water from the Groundhog Mine Site on August 18, 2004.

This report includes groundwater water quality data for Monitor Wells GH-2004-2S, GH-2004-2D, and the Groundhog Mine seepage collection system located up gradient of the headwall for the following constituents: cadmium, cobalt, copper, fluoride, iron, lead, manganese, nickel, zinc, sulfate, and total dissolved solids.

If you require additional information, please contact Ms. Pam Pinson at (505) 537-4213.

Very truly yours,

Timothy E. Eastep, Manager
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